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Happy New Year! Best wishes for 2007.

GARS is off with a bang for 2007. TechFest 2007 our 9th and our first official hamfest, promises to be our biggest and best. I'm receiving calls from all over about what we'll be doing and where we'll be. David, KA4KKF, and Ray, KI4GRJ, have some neat displays arranged, and we hope to have good club and community participation. It's a great place to introduce your friends to Amateur Radio.

The meeting programs for the year are shaping up to be some of the best ever. So if you've been a little lazy about getting out on the second Tuesday evening, get up and get out. Our January program is on MARS, and should be interesting. We'll also put the finishing touches on TechFest.

We've got a lot to look forward to this year in the Amateur Radio World. The license changes, and new band plans should give many of us a chance to experience new contacts and new modes; work more states, work more countries, buy more gear or trade up; more antennas, more towers, more fun. And GARS is here to help when and were we can. We don't really have an official Elmer program, but we've got a lot of Elmers. Just ask a question, and we've got someone with an answer. You can always pose a question to the GARS Yahoo group, or if you need something a little more subtle, just send me a note, or give me a call. I'll hook you up with someone that can help.

Some of you would be surprised, but we have 30 or so check-ins to the Monday night net almost every week. Many stay around for the ARES net. Why do I think this is noteworthy? It's a casual way to keep in touch and know approximately how many mobile/portable stations we could muster in time of emergency. It gives us a touch of network operations and the discipline it requires to organize our communications for those we would be helping. And it gives us a chance to say hello to folks we don't see but once a month or so. So when it's Monday evening at 8:00pm, turn on your FM radio and check into the GARS Want, Swap and Information net. And while you there, don't forget to thank the net control operator for taking the time out of his or her busy schedule to call the net. And be sure to thank Scott, KF4PWI for serving as net manager.

David, KA4KKF, has reinstituted the 6Mtr net on Wednesday evenings at 9:00pm. Stop by and say a word or two; we would like to know the coverage area and how many are interested. There have been some activity, but we could use more.

January 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 2 m Club net @ 2000	2	3 6m Club net @ 2100	4	5	6 Breakfast 0730
7	8 2 m Club net @ 2000	9 club meet- ing 7:30 pm	10 6m Club net @ 2100	11	12	13 Techfest 0900-1400 Breakfast 0730
14	15 2 m Club net @ 2000	16	17 6m Club net @ 2100	18	19	20 Break- fast 0730
21	22 2 m Club net @ 2000	23	24 6m Club net @ 2100	25	26	27 Break- fast 0730
28	29 2 m Club net @ 2000	30	31 6m Club net @ 2100	Feb. 1	Feb. 2 Dog Show	Feb. 3 Breakfast 0730Dog Show

GARS Recurring Calendar

- Monthly club meeting is the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM.
 Check the Web Site for Location.
- Every Monday at 8 PM local time: GARS Want, Swap, Sell, and Information Net on the GARS 2 meter repeater
- Every Wednesday at 9 PM local time: GARS 6 meter net on the GARS
 6 meter repeater
- Every Saturday at 7:30 AM local time: GARS Weekly Family Breakfast,
 Golden Corral Restaurant, Riverside Drive, Lawrenceville
- 20th of each month: Deadline for submittal of articles for the following month's GARZETTE

GARS Communication System

53.110 (-1 MHz) 82.5 PL Tone

6 Meter Repeater

2 Meter Repeater

147.075(+) MHz 82.5 PL Tone

70 Cm Repeater

444.525(+) MHz 82.5 PL Tone

APRS

144.390 -- 1200 Baud W4GR/Relay Main Repeater Site
Oak Street, Lawrenceville
Backup Repeater Site
Lanier Mountain, Snellville
Remote Receive Sites
Bogan Road, Buford
Goshen Springs Road,
Norcross
Lanier Mountain, Snellville

The GARZETTE

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Metro Atlanta VE Exam Schedule

GARS publishes Metro Atlanta area VE exam schedules as a service and is not responsible for errors or changes. Call and confirm schedules before going. All sessions are walk-in. Take copies of current license and certificate of completed elements with you to all sessions. Find additional sessions online at www.arrl-ga.org

First Saturday, Even Months

9:00AM EOC Building Butch Nitz, AF4FS (770) 968-8780

First Wednesday

7:00 PM
ARRL/VEC
Roberts School
4681 School Street,
Acworth
Jodi Escher AG4BK
770-387-1591

Second Tuesday

7:00PM
Walton EMC
3645 Lenora Church Rd,
Snellville
Wayne Taylor, WD4CCA
(770)498-7759

Second Saturday, Odd Months

ARRL VEC
8:30 AM
Stone Mountain Methodist
Church
5312 West Mountain St.
Stone Mountain
Bob Varone, W4ETN
(770)978-3179

Third Saturday CA VEC

9:00AM
Marietta First United
Methodist Church Room 305,
56 Whitlock Ave
Marietta
David Still, WB4RRD
(770) 973-2566

Fourth Tuesday

ARRL VEC
7:00 PM
United Way Service Center
6279 Fairburn Road,
Douglasville

Third Sunday

W5YI VEC
3:00 - 5:00 PM
Gwinnett County Public
Library
2780 Five Forks Trickum Rd
Lawrenceville , GA 30044
770-978-5600
Headphones Provided! Howie
Gould, W9HG (770)921-8362

Fourth Sunday

2:30 PM
Georgia Tech Student Center
Room 301
David Ziskind, KE4QLH
(404) 966-6864

Metro Atlanta Club Meetings

First Tuesday Kennehoochee ARC

Southern Polytechnic State University Meeting begins at 7:30 PM Talk In 146.880(-)

Second Monday Georgia Tech ARC

Room W218
Van Leer Electrical
Engineering Bldg.
Georgia Tech Campus
Meeting at 7:00 PM

<u>First Thursday</u> Atlanta Radio Club

Georgia Red Cross HQ 1955 Monroe Dr., Atlanta Meeting is at 7:30 PM Talk In -146.820(-)

N.E. Georgia ARC

Commerce Public Library
Meeting is at 6:30 PM
Talk In - 147.225(+)
PL 123.0

Second Thursday Alford Memorial Radio Club

Annistown Road Baptist Church
Intersection of Annistown Rd
& Spain Rd
Stone Mountain
Dinner at 6:00 PM
Meeting at 7:30 PM
Talk In - 146.760(-)

Third Tuesday North Fulton Amateur Radio League

Alpharetta EOC located at 2970 Webb Bridge Road, in Alpharetta meeting at 7:30 PM Talk In - 145.47(-)

First Saturday North GA QRP Club

Wieuca Baptist Church on Peachtree Rd/Wieuca, 10 AM

There was no Business meeting in December.

November GARS General Meeting

November 14, 2006

Norm Schklar, WA4ZXV, President, opened the meeting. First time visitors were recognized.

Club officers, committee chairs, and members with ARRL titles were recognized. Introductions of members present were made.

The minutes of the October meeting were approved as presented in the Garzette.

New business - the secretary re-read the proposed by-law changes to the club.

After a brief discussion the changes were approved without opposition.

Norm reported on the Christmas party plans. The party will be held at the regular meeting location

(St Marguerite D'Youville Church, 85 Gloster Rd NW, Lawrenceville, GA 30044).

There will be some nice door prizes.

It was decided that the charge would be \$10 per adult and \$5 for children with a family maximum of \$30.

Norm also stated that since this was the $30^{\rm th}$ anniversary of the club, members were encouraged to

bring old photos or other items from club activities.

Plans for Tech Fest were discussed and presenters were encouraged to announce their plans and topics.

Committee Reports:

Bill Cherepy (WB4WTN) gave a membership report - 2 new members from the GARS booth at the Stone Mountain Hamfest.

James Hinkle, AG4ON and Ron Mulberry, KI4RBE are the new members Eddie Foust, WD4JEM, gave the repeater report. Help is needed this Saturday to reinstall the new antennas at the main repeater site in Lawrenceville. The 6 meter repeater will also be returned online.

Amy Woodrick, KE4IKF, gave the Treasurer's report which was accepted. The Boy Scout popcorn will be at the ARES meeting and at the Christmas party.

Break

Program: Amy Woodrick, KE4IKF, gave an outstanding program on a KC135 flight and mid-air refueling mission that she took as part of the 506th Fighter Group Reunion. The program consisted of pictures and videos taken during the flight.

Announcements:

Andrea Hartlage, KG4IUM, reported on the Youth Activities at the Stone Mountain Hamfest where there were 45 young people involved.

Nominations for Ham of the Year were received.

Prize drawings were held.

Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm

Prepared by Randy Collins, acting secretary

50 Years

With the GARS having 30 years of club experience I thought it would be appropriate to recall a piece of my 50 Years worth of the hobby beginning at the front end.

Lets see now it was 50 years ago that I was a young man and had made the decision to be a ham radio operator. Trouble was I was intimidated by the process of the travel to downtown Boston to the Custom House Federal building which housed the FCC engineer in charge. I thought I knew the Morse code well enough and I had a good knowledge of the Ohms law and other stuff as I was making a living at that time in the home electronics business commonly known as TV repair.

Heck a name of the one and only business computer in those days was IBM and no reference to digital phones, TV games, MP3 players or digital cameras. But an eight transistor portable radio was the talk at the beach. AM radio was still interesting but FM radio was even bigger with all that Hi Fidelity Stereo stuff they promoted. So it was in those days that yours truly made a big step for mankind and headed into Boston Mass one Monday where the best of the best FCC engineers in charge was waiting to run that code machine by me at a high rate of 5 WPM speed, boy that was a challenge for a young guy who knew beans about the Morse code but I knew it stood between me and talking to other Novices with the same problem which was awkwardness and fumbling fingers let alone a deaf ear for all those tones broken up in dots and dashes. I figured the written test was a snap once I got by that code machine.

I sat outside a closed office door sitting with strangers who were there for the same thing and I recall very little introductions were given as we all sat and concentrated to hear our name called. It seemed like hours later that I was called and a not so smiling man greeted me and pointed to a chair and table where upon was seen a black looking object with a hand key beside it.

The man leaned over as there were no introductions to his name and he said "are you ready" in very stern tones, and he had a disinterested face showing no emotion whatsoever, I swallowed and said softly "yes" but with apprehension of what was forthcoming, so nervous were my feet I could not stop them from shaking. The man slid a piece of blank paper and pencil in front of me and said "copy what you can" and he started the code machine. I don't recall how much I copied or how much of it made sense but I finished the tape. The man took my paper, looked at it and then slid another paper that had printed matter on it in front of me and said "send this sentence" I did and he listened for a few seconds and stopped me from sending, all the while my heart was racing as though it would pop out of my chest and the man showed no emotion so I could not tell if he was pleased with my performance or not. After a few minutes of waiting the man slid the Novice test in front of me and knew I had passed the code as I found this out from others who had taking the exam. I did the test and the man took it and told me to wait outside the room. After what seemed hours my name was called by the mans Secretary who told me I passed and that I could leave but no paperwork was given to me.

About 3 months after I took the Novice exam my license came in the mail and I hurried to my little space in the pantry where I had set up an empty Orange crate for my operating table which held a home brew crystal controlled transmitter using a 5763 tube driving a 6146 output tube with a B&W 5 band output tank circuit PI network to tune into a long wire antenna strung around the rooftop soon to be known by my neighbors as the thumper as key clicks got into a lot of audio devices. I was settled on 80 meters on a very popular Novice frequency in the middle of a summer afternoon not knowing a thing about band conditions, skip, noise, fading, etc, and called my first CQ. "CQ CQ, CQ, DE KN1HHN. I sent this a few times and of course 80 meters in the early day time is nothing but noise. I adjusted my super regenerative receiver to peak and listened to the noise. I called a few more times and then all of a sudden out of the speaker came the loudest tones "KN1HHN, KN1HHN, DE KN1HDY, KN1HDY, K.

Come to find out this was a ham living a couple of miles from me and so we met each other after a fashion and became life long friends.

There have been up and down cycles with ham radio as with all other things we do in our lifetimes, we will all remember the day we got our first license and we will remember the phase radio was in when we entered into the hobby, it will be the things that attracted us to the hobby that will be with us for a lifetime and for those of us who stay for 50 years we will have cherished memories of spending endless hours chatting with those who may still be here or passed on to a become a silent key. There is more than one book of ham radio experiences in 50 years of spinning the dial, the far away places that I contacted putting my imagination to work forming a picture of who I was talking to and their surroundings. The big Chelsea Mass fire I covered, the missionary in Nepal, the Englishman sitting out in the bush in his tent in Africa, The priest in China, the Saudi Arabia prince, the endless hours of phone patches with the Navy service men on the ice at the south pole and on and on. Each book has its own special place in my ham library and I hope many of you will find your book filled with cherished memories as you journey across the bands and compile an endless line of contacts awaiting you.

Howie, W9HG

Its important to remember that those contemplating taking the written 3 element should wait until the time period of 30 days from posting on the Federal register has expired and the actual date of the dropping of the Morse code has kicked in, then go in for your exam and save another fee for going back to upgrade otherwise if you take it and pass before the register is closed you will pay twice that because you have to go back with no credit for that fee towards your upgrade. You must pay another processing fee for the upgrade. Another thing to remember is if you passed the element 3 already it has a 365 day credit period no more no less so it would be ironic if your certificate ran out on the 30th day and you had no test session to go to during that period. So count your days and look for a place that you can go to for the upgrade before it runs out. Its very possible that some will fall through the cracks and have to take the element 3 again. There is no grace period on the exam fee there are no exceptions, only the certificate carries a grace period.

Howie, W9HG

VEC: W5YI VEC

3rd Sunday 3:00-5:00 p.m. EVERY MONTH

Primary areas served: East Atlanta and Gwinnett County, GA Location: (new location for our exams effective November 19, 2006)

Gwinnett County Public Library Five Forks Branch

2780 Five Forks Trickum Rd Lawrenceville , GA 30044

770-978-5600

Contact: Howie Gould W9HG - 770-921-8362, Cel 404-310-3060, w9hg@arrl-ga.org

Bring original license and copy

Minors must have 2 forms of ID and SS number All credits for prior elements passed must be originals and copies of same.

Headphones provided for Morse Code test.

Exam fee is \$14.00 for 2006.

Walk-ins welcome

Library Hours 1 to 6 on Sunday we will test from 3:00 to 5:00 PM

Editor's Comments

2007 is here, are you ready? This should be an excellent year for amateur radio. With the FCC doing away with the cw requirement, the flood gates should open. What is going to happen? We don't know? Whether we see an increase or not, we must provide quality leadership and direction for the novice that comes into the hobby. The club is the best way to provide this training. Gwinnett has a great club full of people to help guide them. If we provide the leadership, we can make sure the novice can carry on with the traditions of amateur radio.

Make no mistake, if there is a flood of people they will need guidance. After all they are still novices. That shouldn't last for long, if the clubs in the metro area take them under their wings and guide them. It will probably be like the rush we had when the KE4's came along.

GARS has an excellent opportunity to provide that for them. We have Techfest, Field Day, JOTA, Kid's Day, Monthly meetings, Saturday morning breakfast, Dacula Memorial Day Parade, Dog Shows, Buford 5k, and a host of old timers that like to show off their shacks. That is just some of the activities from our club. What about the clubs surrounding us? There are a lot of activities and things to do in amateur radio. Gwinnett ARES provides service to its served agencies. There is so much, you have to work on sections at a time for a year or two then move to a new experience.

I don't think CW is dead. It will continue to be used by people that enjoy this mode. It will be used by people for its simplistic operation and construction of equipment.

Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society needs you. Join today.

Editor

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: NEWS MEDIA CONTACT:

December 15, 2006 Chelsea Fallon: (202) 418-7991

FCC MODIFIES AMATEUR RADIO SERVICE RULES, ELIMINATING MORSE CODE EXAM REQUIREMENTS AND ADDRESSING ARRL PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION

Washington, D.C. – Today, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) adopted a Report and Order and Order on Reconsideration (Order) that modifies the rules for the Amateur Radio Service by revising the examination requirements for obtaining a General Class or Amateur Extra Class amateur radio operator license and revising the operating privileges for Technician Class licensees. In addition, the Order resolves a petition filed by the American Radio Relay League, Inc. (ARRL) for partial reconsideration of an FCC Order on amateur service rules released on October 10, 2006.

The current amateur service operator license structure contains three classes of amateur radio operator licenses: Technician Class, General Class, and Amateur Extra Class. General Class and Amateur Extra Class licensees are permitted to operate in Amateur bands below 30 MHz, while the introductory Technician Class licensees are only permitted to operate in bands above 30 MHz. Prior to today's action, the FCC, in accordance with international radio regulations, required applicants for General Class and Amateur Extra Class operator licenses to pass a five words-per-minute Morse code examination. Today's Order eliminates that requirement for General and Amateur Extra licensees. This change reflects revisions to international radio regulations made at the International Telecommunication Union's 2003 World Radio Conference (WRC-03), which authorized each country to determine whether to require that individuals demonstrate Morse code proficiency in order to qualify for an amateur radio license with transmitting privileges on frequencies below 30 MHz. This change eliminates an unnecessary regulatory burden that may discourage current amateur radio operators from advancing their skills and participating more fully in the benefits of amateur radio.

Today's Order also revises the operating privileges for Technician Class licensees by eliminating a disparity in the operating privileges for the Technician Class and Technician Plus Class licensees. Technician Class licensees are authorized operating privileges on all amateur frequencies above 30 MHz. The Technician Plus Class license, which is an operator license class that existed prior the FCC's simplification of the amateur license structure in 1999 and was grand-fathered after that time, authorized operating privileges on all amateur frequencies above 30 MHz, as well as frequency segments in four HF bands (below 30 MHz) after the successful completion of a Morse code examination. With today's elimination of the Morse code exam requirements, the FCC concluded that the disparity between the operating privileges of Technician Class licensees and Technician Plus Class licensees should not be retained. Therefore, the FCC, in today's action, afforded Technician and Technician Plus licensees identical operating privileges.

Finally, today's Order resolved a petition filed by the ARRL for partial reconsideration of an FCC Order released on October 10, 2006 (FCC 06-149). In this Order, the FCC authorized amateur stations to transmit voice communications on additional frequencies in certain amateur service bands, including the 75 meter (m) band, which is authorized only for certain wideband voice and image communications. The ARRL argued that the 75 m band should not have been expanded below 3635 kHz, in order to protect automatically controlled digital stations operating in the 3620-3635 kHz portion of the 80 m band. The FCC concluded that these stations can be protected by providing alternate spectrum in the 3585-3600 kHz frequency segment.

Action by the Commission on December 15, 2006, by Report and Order and Order on Reconsideration. Chairman Martin and Commissioners Copps, Adelstein, Tate, and McDowell.

For additional information, contact William Cross at (202) 418-0691 or William.Cross@fcc.gov.

WT Docket Nos. 04-140 and 05-235.

- FCC -

News and other information about the Federal Communications Commission is available at www.fcc.gov.

Do you know a boy or girl 14 to 21 years old who wants to:

Climb, Hike
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Talk on an amateur radio
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Tell them about

Venture Crew 73

We meet the second Tuesday of each Month at 7:00PM prior to the GARS meeting at St. Marguerite D'Youville Church..

For more information Visit www.gars.org/crew73 or contact Ray Back:

Email <u>crew73@gars.org</u> Phone **(770) 295-9174** Contest and events

Jan 1

ARRL Straight Key Night --see page 98 of December 2006 QST.

New Years Snowball Contest -www.qsl.net/euleu/index e.htm.

SARTG New Year RTTY Contest -www.sartg.com/contest/nyrules.htm

AGCW Happy New Year Contest--CW www.agcw.de.

Jan 6-7

ARRL RTTY Roundup --see Dec 2006 QST, p 99).

Kid's Day -- Phone -- (see Dec 2006 QST, p45).

DARC 10 Meter Contest -- CW/SSB,

www.darc.de/referate/dx/fedcz.htm.

EUCW 160 Meter Contest -- CW, www.uft.net/

Jan 13-18

North American QSO Party -- CW, www.ncjweb.com/naqprules.php. NAQCC Monthly Straight Key Sprint --

www.arm-tek.net/~yoel.

articles.php?lng=fr&pg=22.

Winter Field Day -- www.spar-hams.org/contests/winterfd/index.php.

Midwinter Contest -- CW/SSB, www.qsl.net/pi4ylc/Engels/midwinter%20contest.htm.

Hunting Lions in the Air -- CW/Phone,
www.sarl.org.za/public/contests/
contestrules.asp.

070 PSKFest - www.podxs.com/html/
pskfest.html.

Jan 20-22

<u>ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes</u> -- (see Dec 2006 QST, p 98).

HA DX Contest -- CW, www.mrasz.hu.

LZ Open Championship -- CW, www.linkove.com/lz-open-contest/rules/rules.htm.

International United Teenager Contest -- CW/
SSB, www.sk3bg.se/contest/utcont.htm.
UK DX RTTY Contest --www.ukdx.scotham.net.

Jan 27-28

CQ WW 160 Meter Contest--CW, www.cq-amateur-radio.com/index.html.

BARTG RTTY Sprint—www.bartg.demon.co.uk.
REF French Contest --CW www.ref-union.org/concours.

UBA Contest -- Phone, www.uba.be
Classic Exchange -- AM/SSB, qsl.asti.com/CX.

February 17 - 18 ARRL International DX Contest (CW)

March 3 - 4
test (Phone)
ARRL International DX Con-

GARS APPAREL ORDER FORM

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NAME TO BE EMBROIDERED:		
CALL SIGN TO BE EMBROIDERED:		

ITEM	SIZE	QUANTITY	PRICE	TOTAL
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Red WITH name & call			\$20.00	
White WITH name & call			\$20.00	
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Red			\$24.00	
White			\$24.00	
GOLF SHIRT WITH name & call				
Red			\$28.00	
White			\$28.00	
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Red WITHOUT name & call			\$30.00	
White WITHOUT name & call			\$30.00	
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WITHOUT name & call			\$41.00	
WITH name & call			\$45.00	
GARS BADGE WITH name & call			\$9.00	
HAT WITHOUT name & call				
Red			\$9.00	
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HAT WITH name & call				
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Thanks and 73s! -- Amy KE4IKF

Amateur (Ham) Radio in Action

9th Annual

Tech-Fest & Chili Cookoff

January 13, 2007 10:00 till 2:00 Be sure to get it on *your* calendar

(Free Admission)

- For the Non-Ham and Ham alike... Your opportunity to see many modes and types of Ham Radio Equipment in action. Visit with knowledgeable operators demonstrating many aspects of Ham Radio. We'll answer questions, and show you how it works. Speak with local Amateur Radio Clubs and Societies to gain insight into how Hams are organized for Public Service, Emergency Communications, sharing technology ideas and having fun. Meet with Scout Leaders to hear how scouting and Ham radio intersect.
- For Amateur Radio Organizations... An opportunity to display your groups wares, a place to meet and swap operating experiences on a Saturday morning in January. A table to set up a display or banner. And you're invited to bring along a working amateur radio project.

Demonstrations are indoors, so weather should not be a problem. Free coffee, drinks and lunch are provided. Setup begins at 9:00. We'll open the parking lot for tailgating at 8:00. Tailgating is free. We will not be offering tables. An area of the parking lot will be designated for Tailgating, so be sure you are in the designated area before any setup. for more information:
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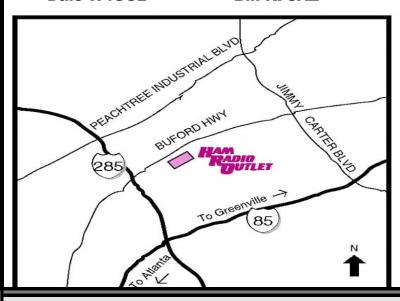
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To receive the **Garzette** via e mail contact, please contact the membership chairman

Saturday Morning

Breakfast

Join us at the Golden Coral on Riverside Drive in

Lawrenceville at 7:30 a.m.

Next Meeting

Tuesday, January 9 the

Meetings are on the

Second Tuesday of the month 7:30pm at the St Marguerite

D'Youville Church,

85 Gloster Rd NW,

Lawrenceville, GA 30044. Just off Highway 29 SW of Lawrenceville.

Directions on the Web site.

http://www.gars.org

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